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TO: All Interested Parties

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RE: RATE MANUALS EFFECTIVE 1/1/02

Attached is your copy of the captioned rating manual for the Louisiana Patient's Compensation Fund. This manual includes rates, classifications and explanatory material that will become effective January 1, 2002.

There are a few changes that we would like to bring to your attention:

1. The attached rates include rate increases for hospitals, physicians, CRNA's, Nursing Homes, and "Other" classifications.
2. Two additional classes were added for Orthopedics.
3. Anesthesiology was lowered to a Ph4.
4. Pulmonary Disease was increased to a Ph1.
5. Podiatry was assigned a class and rated as a Ph2.
6. Nursing Home rates now include an additional class of beds, intermediate. Please refer to the "General" section for bed type definitions.
7. Outpatient Surgery Centers now have a choice of claims made or occurrence coverage.
8. A certificate of insurance **must** be provided for any professional corporation or partnership requesting coverage. The **COI must** list all eligible healthcare providers in the corporation or partnership so that enrollment can be verified and entitlement to concurrent enrollment without an additional surcharge can be determined.

As always, we encourage you to contact LPCF with any questions. For additional information on the agency, including rates, rules and regulations and forms available for downloading, please use our web site: www.lapcf.state.la.us.

If you have any questions, please call Cheryl Jackson at 225-342-5324.